GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:442
ANSWERED ON:20.11.2002
CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEMES
ABDUL RASHID SHAHEEN;KANTI SINGH;MOHAN RAWALE;RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH;RATNA SINGH

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the centrally sponsored schemes being run in the country for development of youths as on date;

(b) the amount spent on these schemes during each of the last three years;

(c) whether it is proposed to formulate more such schemes in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

(a) National Service Scheme, popularly known as NSS is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, being run by this Ministry, which was launched in Gandhiji`s Birth Centenary Year, 1969 with its primary focus on the development of personality of students through community service. The Scheme has two types of programmes, viz. `Regular Activities` and `Special Camping Programmes` undertaken by the volunteers. Students are expected to work as volunteers for a continuous period of two years, rendering community service for a minimum of 120 hours per annum. The expenditure on the programmes of NSS is shared between the Centre and the State Government in the ratio of 7:5 except in the case of Jammu & Kashmir and Union Territories without Legislatures, North-Eastern States including Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh and other hilly areas as notified by the Planning Commission. The entire expenditure in case of Jammu & Kashmir and Union Territories without Legislatures is met by the Central Governme! nt. The pattern of sharing expenditure between Central Government and North-Eastern States including Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh and other hilly areas as notified by Planning Commission is 3:1 instead of 7:5. In addition, the entire expenditure on administration, training, research, monitoring, evaluation and publication pertaining to the Scheme and the full cost of NSS State Liaison Cells set up in the concerned Departments of State Governments is met by the Government of India.The existing pattern of expenditure on NSS Regular Activities and Special Camping Programmes is Rs.160/- and Rs.300/- respectively per volunteer in normal areas and Rs.200/- and Rs.400/- respectively per volunteer for North Eastern States including Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh and other hilly areas as notified by the Planning Commission from time to time.

(b) The amount spent on the Scheme by the Central Government during the last three years is as under:

(Rupees in lakhs)

1999-00	2000-01	2001-02
2354.43	2888.62	2818.48

(c)&(d): At present, there is no proposal to introduce any other centrally sponsored scheme for overall development of youths